



# 2014 Intellectual Exchange Programme between Japan and Europe in Alsace

Japanese Studies Seminar: Tokyo(東京)

Call for participation

Centre Européen d'Etudes Japonaises d'Alsace (CEEJA) and the Japan Foundation (JF) are now accepting applications for participation in *Japanese Studies Seminar: Tokyo(東京)* scheduled for 22 and 23 September, 2014 at CEEJA, **in Kientzheim, France**. The official language of the seminar will be **JAPANESE**.

This seminar aims to encourage networking among young researchers on Japan in Europe and further promote Japanese Studies in Europe.

Participants will join a two-day intensive workshop in the cozy and intimate atmosphere of CEEJA's facility in Kientzheim where they will present and discuss their current research projects with fellow participants and guest mentors from Japan and the USA.

The theme of this year's seminar will be "Tokyo (東京)." We are calling for applications from young researchers in Europe specializing in politics, history, sociology, literature, the arts, language, philosophy, economics, architecture, religion, etc.

## § Mentors

Prof. Kenji Sato is a professor at the University of Tokyo, specializing in historical sociology. He is the author of many books, including "Dokusho kukan no kindai" (The Reading Space of Modernity) (1987), "Fukei no seisan and fukei no kaiho" (The Production of Scenery and the Liberation of Scenery) (1994), "Ryugen-Higo" (Rumor and Gossip) (1995), "Shakai Tyousashi no Literacy" (Historical Literacy in Social Research) (2010).

Jordan Sand is Associate Professor of Japanese History and Culture at Georgetown University in Washington, DC. He teaches modern Japanese history and other topics in East Asian history, as well as urban history and the world history of food. "House

and Home in Modern Japan" (Harvard, 2004) explores the ways that westernizing reformers reinvented Japanese domestic space and family life during the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. His most recent book, "Tokyo Vernacular: Common Spaces, Local Histories, Found Objects" (University of California Press, 2013), analyzes problems of history and memory in the postindustrial city.

## § Obligations

Approximately 10 participants will be selected to each make a 20-min presentation on their research and engage in discussions in JAPANESE.

Prior to the seminar, all participants are expected to submit their papers, in Japanese or English, which will be edited and compiled for publication following the event.

#### § Eligibility and Application Procedures

Applicants should be currently enrolled in a graduate or post-graduate program (it does not have to be a Japanese Studies program), or should already hold a junior teaching/research position at an academic institution in Europe. Those who can demonstrate strong and serious long-term affiliations with research communities in Europe are also eligible to apply. Priority will be given to non-Japanese applicants.

Following the seminar, applicants will be reimbursed travel costs of up to 500 euros (economy class airfare within Europe/2<sup>nd</sup> class train ticket), upon submission of their travel receipt(s). During the seminar, accommodation (3 nights) and 8 meals will be provided.

Participants are expected to arrive at CEEJA on September 21<sup>st</sup> and leave on September 24<sup>th</sup>.

Applicants should send their curriculum vitae and a summary of their research interests in Japanese or English on A4-size paper via e-mail to oca@jpf.go.jp

The deadline for applications is **30 June**.

Applicants will be informed of the selection results at the end of July.

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